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## **TWO RECEIVE FEDERAL PRISON SENTENCES FOR DRUG VIOLATIONS**

(Sherman, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that two men have been sentenced to federal prison for federal drug violations in the Eastern District of Texas.

**ROBERT DANIEL BAILEY**, 35 of Garland received 60 months for possessing with the intent to distribute methamphetamine and another 60 months for possession of a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime, for a total of 120 months in federal prison.

**ERIK MARQUEZ ORTEGA**, 25 of Mesquite, was sentenced to 63 months in federal prison for possessing with the intent to distribute methamphetamine. The two were sentenced by United States District Judge Ron Clark.

U.S. Attorney Orwig was pleased with the sentences, "We will continue to work tirelessly putting drug dealers in prison and getting them off our streets."

According to information presented in court, on April 5, 2005, Bailey and Ortega were pulled over by Denton Police for a routine traffic

violation. The defendants were arrested after a search of the vehicle revealed marijuana, methamphetamine and firearms.

This case was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives and the Denton Police Department and prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Josh Burgess.

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